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WISE, SIELER ELECTED TO LEAD STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The State Board of Education recently elected Rachel Wise of Oakland and John Sieler of Omaha president and vice president, respectively, for the coming year.

Wise said it was an honor to serve as president of the State Board of Education in 2014. "My colleagues on the State Board of Education are outstanding elected officials who, like me, are passionate about the education of all children in Nebraska. In partnership with our stakeholders and policy partners, our priorities will include the development of a framework for accountability, college and career ready standards for language arts and mathematics as well as the continued expansion of early childhood education programs." Wise was first elected to the State Board of Education last year. She is a former teacher and has served as an administrator for Educational Service Unit #7 in Columbus, Omaha Public Schools and the non-profit organization, Building Bright Futures.

Sieler said: "I am both honored and humbled that my fellow board members elected me to serve as vice president for this year. I will continue to work with my fellow board members to provide servant leadership for our students, parents, teachers and taxpayers. Working together we can provide opportunity for each Nebraska child, whether in public school, private school or home school. We also can encourage each student to get the best education available so they are college and career ready when they graduate." Sieler was elected to the State Board of Education in 2010. He is the owner of John Sieler and Associates, a consulting and marketing firm specializing in logo items, promotional items and printing.